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 - i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____.
 - ii. ☒ Consider the Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on June 6, 2003. (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
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 - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
 - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
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- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

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